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Recently I read the following editorial:

<http://www.pbs.org/cringely/pulpit/pulpit20011206.html>

And share the author's concerns that Open Source and non-profits are not adequately being protected under the final agreement with Microsoft. The simple fact is that MS needs to play fair and keep any/all protocols it creates open to the public. Imagine if Einstein had patented  $E = mc^2$  or if Newton had made the laws of physics proprietary!

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"How would this sentence be different if pi equaled 3?"